BRIDGES POLICY BULLETIN

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June 1, 2012.

Subject(s)

- 1. DCH exceptions.
- 2. Hearings.
- 3. Consent for release of information.
- 4. Medical Review Team (MRT) county assignments.
- 5. Prior authorizations for medical transportation.

BEM 100, Introduction

1) DCH Exceptions

MA Only

Information and instructions regarding the Special Director Exceptionprocess has been moved and updated.

Program Policy Division has been renamed and this has been added to policy.

All Programs

Reference to policy manuals have been updated.

Reason: Policy clarification/update.

2) Hearings

BAM 600, Hearings

All Programs

For determinations made by the Office of Child SUpport (OCS) or a Prosecuting Attorney's Office (PA) a copy of the request for Hearing **must** be faxed to the office who initiated the adverse action within 24 hours of receipt. The fax cover sheet **must** include:

- Title "Administrative Hearing-Time Sensitive"
- Contact information for both the DHS specialist and the FIM/AP supervisor.
- Date and time of the prehearing conference if scheduled (if not scheduled, inform the OCS/PA once scheduled).

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Exception: When the disputed case action involves an OCS/PA determination, OCS/PA staff **must** participate in the prehearing conference. For hearing requests disputing OCS/PA actions:

- Attach a supplemental hearing summary completed by OCS/PA detailing actions taken.
- Attach all evidence provided by the OCS/PA.

A copy of the hearings packet must be sent to:

- The client.
- AHR if the client has one.
- MAHS-Send one copy to mAHS unless the request for hearing involves a MRT decision, then two copies must be sent.

If the case action involved actions taken by OCS/PA fax a copy of the Notice of Hearing, within 24 hours of receipt.

If the OCS/PA was involved in the hearing, a copy of the Decision and Order MUST be faxed to the OCS/PA within 24 hours of receipt.

Reason: Policy update.

Communication Plan: OTSD Child Support Hearings Checklist, dated 7/5/2011.

3) Concent for Release of Information

BEM 270, Pursuit of Benefits

FIP, SDA, CDC, AMP and MA Only

A Michigan SOAR Project, Consent for Release of Information, form may be used to verify a pending SSI application if **all** of the criteria listed below is met:

- The form has a SSA liaison name listed.
- SSA field office code.
- Date of response is within 60 days. This form of verification is only acceptable for 60 days from the date of response. After 60 days the SOLQ should show a pending SSI application. If the SOLQ does not show a pending SSI application, verification must be approved by the individual.

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BEM 271, SSI Referral, Application, Denial and Appeal

SSI Advocates and Assignments have been updated.

Reason: Policy update.

4) MRT County Assignments

BAM 815, Medical Determination and Obtaining Medical Evidence

FIP, SDA, MA and FAP Only

Macomb County/Mt Clemens and Oakland County, Saginaw Street District have been moved from Lansing to Detroit. Staff should end medical packets to the Detroit Office effective May 21, 2012.

5) Prior Authorizations for Medical Transportation

BAM 825, Medical Transportation

The post office box number for prior authrizations for medical transportation has been changed. The correct address is;:

Michigan Department of Community Health Office of Prior Authorization Attention: Medical Transportation

PO Box 30170 Lansing, MI 48909

Reason: Policy correction.

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MANUAL MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

Changed Items (content changes) ...

BAM 600

BAM 815

BAM 825

BEM 100

BEM 270

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